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Sem and Hansen

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GEOMETRY AND RELATED
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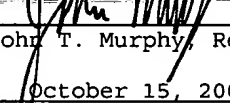
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Responsive to the Office Action mailed
September 13, 2002, entry of the following remarks is
respectfully requested.

REMARKS

Claims 19-23 are under examination in the above-
identified application. The claims are alleged to be
individually or dependently directed to a plurality of disclosed
patentably distinct species of polypeptide pharmacofamilies. In
particular, the Examiner requires election of one species from
polypeptide pharmacofamilies 1-8.

Applicants traverse the Election of Species Requirement
for the reasons stated below. Nevertheless, in order to be
responsive to the Office Action, Applicants hereby elect for